



*Executive Department  
State of Idaho*

*The Office of the Governor*  
***Proclamation***

*State Capitol  
Boise*

*WHEREAS, April 2005 marks the 37<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the passage of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, commonly known as the Federal Fair Housing Act; and*

*WHEREAS, the Idaho Human Rights Commission Act has prohibited discrimination in housing since 1969; and*

*WHEREAS, equal opportunity for all – regardless of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status or national origin – is a fundamental goal of our nation and state; and*

*WHEREAS, equal access to housing is an important component of this goal - as fundamental as the right to equal education and employment; and*

*WHEREAS, housing is a critical component of family and community health and stability; and*

*WHEREAS, housing choice impacts our children's access to education, our ability to seek and retain employment options, the cultural benefits we enjoy, the extent of our exposure to crime and drugs, and the quality of health care we receive in emergencies; and*

*WHEREAS, the laws of this nation and our state seek to ensure such equality of choice for all transactions involving housing; and*

*WHEREAS, ongoing education, outreach and monitoring are key to raising awareness of fair housing principals, practices, rights and responsibilities; and*

*WHEREAS, only through continued cooperation, commitment and support of all Idahoans can barriers to fair housing be removed;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim April 2005, to be*

***FAIR HOUSING MONTH***

*in Idaho.*



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twenty-fifth day of March in the year of our Lord two-thousand and five and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-ninth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fifteenth.*

A handwritten signature of Dirk Kempthorne in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

**DIRK KEMPTHORNE**  
**GOVERNOR**

A handwritten signature of Ben Ysursa in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

**BEN YSURSA**  
**SECRETARY OF STATE**